St. Johns Lutheran Church

We Worship One God



Father, Son, Holy Spirit

St. Louis, Missouri
June 12th, 2022

Divine Service Setting 1

LSB 151

AS WE GATHER

Before the creation of the world and mankind, God Himself was not alone. In His eternal triune nature, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are and always have been. With thanksgiving, even as we come before Him today not alone but together, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit also join us together as one. Our Lord, Three in One, One in Three, comes to us through Word and Sacrament to unite us in faith given, promises fulfilled, and forgiveness assured.

RINGING OF THE BELLS/WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME GUESTS

We're glad you are here! Make it a point to introduce yourself to the pastor. (*Please keep your distance though*) Please take time to fill out an attendance card and drop it in the basket during the offering. Our service today includes the celebration of God's presence, as He comes in the true body and blood of Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Any who are not yet instructed or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, are asked to refrain from receiving the sacrament until they have spoken with the pastor. Please consider liking us on Facebook (St. Johns Lutheran Church – St. Louis City) and checking out our website (https://stjohnslutheranstlouis.org/).

PREPARATION

HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy LSB 507

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see, Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the \blacksquare Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

As we approach our triune God and gather in His majestic name, we draw near with a true heart and confess our sins.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all people, we admit and confess our sinfulness.

We have turned away from one another in our thinking, speaking, and doing. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for these sins. Have mercy on us, heavenly Father.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ is given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

WORD

LSB 155

THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. *Refrain*

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are His. Refrain

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. Refrain

For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia Refrain

ATHANASIAN CREED Part 1

Whoever desires to be saved must, above all, hold the catholic *(Christian)* faith.

Whoever does not keep it whole and undefiled will without doubt perish eternally.

And the catholic (Christian) faith is this,

that we worship one God in Trinity and Trinity in Unity, neither confusing the persons nor dividing the substance.

For the Father is one person, the Son is another, and the Holy Spirit is another.

But the Godhead of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit is one: the glory equal, the majesty coeternal.

Such as the Father is, such is the Son, and such is the Holy Spirit:

the Father uncreated, the Son uncreated, the Holy Spirit uncreated; the Father infinite, the Son infinite, the Holy Spirit infinite;

the Father eternal, the Son eternal, the Holy Spirit eternal.

And yet there are not three Eternals, but one Eternal,

just as there are not three Uncreated or three Infinites, but one Uncreated and one Infinite.

In the same way, the Father is almighty, the Son almighty, the Holy Spirit almighty;

and yet there are not three Almighties, but one Almighty. So the Father is God, the Son is God, the Holy Spirit is God; and yet there are not three Gods, but one God. So the Father is Lord, the Son is Lord, the Holy Spirit is Lord; and yet there are not three Lords, but one Lord.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

MEMORIZED WORD

For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. 2 Timothy 1:7

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

¹Does not wisdom call? Does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand: 3beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud: 4"To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the children of man. . . . ²²"The Lord possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, ²⁶before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. ²⁷When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the children of man."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL Romans 10:8b, 10

The word is near you, in your mouth and * in your heart, the word of faith that * we proclaim.

For with the heart one believes and is * justified, and with the mouth one confesses * and is saved.

SECOND READING Acts 2:14a, 22–36

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, ²²"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—²³this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. ²⁴God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it. ²⁵For David says concerning him, "'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; ²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. ²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption. ²⁸You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.' 29"Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, ³¹he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, ³⁵until I make your enemies your footstool.' ³⁶Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VERSE Isaiah 6:3b

Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory! Alleluia.

ATHANASIAN CREED Part 2

Just as we are compelled by the Christian truth to acknowledge each distinct person as God and Lord, so also are we prohibited by the catholic *(Christian)* religion to say that there are three Gods or Lords.

The Father is not made nor created nor begotten by anyone.

The Son is neither made nor created, but begotten of the Father alone.

The Holy Spirit is of the Father and of the Son, neither made nor created nor begotten, but proceeding.

Thus, there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons; one Holy Spirit, not three Holy Spirits.

And in this Trinity none is before or after another; none is greater or less than another:

but the whole three persons are coeternal with each other and coequal, so that in all things, as has been stated above, the Trinity in Unity and Unity in Trinity is to be worshiped.

Therefore, whoever desires to be saved must think thus about the Trinity.

HOLY GOSPEL John 8:48–59

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter. Glory to You, O Lord.

⁴⁸The Jews answered [Jesus], "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" ⁴⁹Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. ⁵⁰Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. ⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." ⁵²The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' ⁵³Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" ⁵⁴Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.'

⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. ⁵⁶Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." ⁵⁷So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" ⁵⁸Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." ⁵⁹So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to You, O Christ.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HYMN Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest *LSB* 498

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, And make our hearts Your place of rest; Come with Your grace and heav'nly aid, And fill the hearts which You have made.

To You, the Counselor, we cry, To You, the gift of God Most High; The fount of life, the fire of love, The soul's anointing from above.

In You, with graces sevenfold, We God's almighty hand behold While You with tongues of fire proclaim To all the world His holy name.

Your light to ev'ry thought impart, And shed Your love in ev'ry heart; The weakness of our mortal state With deathless might invigorate.

Drive far away our wily foe, And Your abiding peace bestow; With You as our protecting guide, No evil can with us abide. Teach us to know the Father, Son, And You, from both, as Three in One That we Your name may ever bless And in our lives the truth confess.

Stand

Praise we the Father and Son, And Holy Spirit, with them One, And may the Son on us bestow The gifts that from the Spirit flow!

SERMON

ATHANASIAN CREED Part 3

But it is also necessary for everlasting salvation that one faithfully believe the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, it is the right faith that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is at the same time both God and man.

He is God, begotten from the substance of the Father before all ages; and He is man, born from the substance of His mother in this age:

perfect God and perfect man, composed of a rational soul and human flesh;

equal to the Father with respect to His divinity, less than the Father with respect to His humanity.

Although He is God and man, He is not two, but one Christ: one, however, not by the conversion of the divinity into flesh, but by the assumption of the humanity into God;

one altogether, not by confusion of substance, but by unity of person. For as the rational soul and flesh is one man, so God and man is one Christ,

who suffered for our salvation, descended into hell, rose again the third day from the dead,

ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, God Almighty, from whence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

At His coming all people will rise again with their bodies and give an account concerning their own deeds.

And those who have done good will enter into eternal life, and those who have done evil into eternal fire.

This is the catholic (*Christian*) faith; whoever does not believe it faithfully and firmly cannot be saved.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LSB 159

What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord.

I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all His people, in the courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray: Ever-uniting Lord—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—join us together in fellowship with one another and with You. Give us Your Spirit, that all may confess truly and faithfully Your Word and live in harmony of doctrine and life. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Ever-sustaining Lord—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—we worship You not as we ought but as we are able, within the frailty of our minds that struggle to understand and hearts that struggle against sin and unbelief. Guard us by Your Spirit, that we not grow weary nor lose sight of the goal before us. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Ever-providing Lord—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—You have suffered fully the cost of love through the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Give healing and peace to all who are afflicted, and give Your comfort to the grieving and dying. We lift up to You those who have requested our prayer, [especially . . .], those whose needs are known only to You, and those in our hearts [silence for private prayer]. Give them all that is needful so they may endure trials confident of Your presence and grace sufficient for every need. Lord, in Your mercy,

hear our prayer.

Ever-present Lord—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—grant Your presence and strengthen our trust in Your promises made, fulfilled, and yet to come, that we be found faithful at Your time, and be forever together with those who have gone before us to Your kingdom without end. Lord, in Your mercy.

hear our prayer.

All these things we pray to You, through Christ Jesus, for You live and reign as the triune and eternal God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who always has been and always will be.

Amen.

SACRAMENT

PREFACE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, who with Your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. In the confession of the only true God, we worship the Trinity in person and the Unity in substance, of majesty coequal. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS LSB 161

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might: Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My & body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My & blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

AGNUS DEI LSB 163

Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

"O Blessed, Holy Trinity" LSB 876 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name LSB 940

NUNC DIMITTIS...SONG OF SIMEON

LSB 165

Lord, now You let your servant go in peace; Your word has been fulfilled.

My own eyes have seen the salvation which You have prepared in the sight of ev'ry people: A light to reveal You to the nations and the glory of Your people Israel.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed our spirits, nourished our faith, and forgiven our sins. Bless our days ahead and keep us sanctified in the truth, that we remain together as one Body in the confession and proclamation of You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICTION

HYMN "Glory Be to God the Father" *LSB* 506

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory While eternal ages run! Glory be to Him who loved us, Washed us from each spot and stain: Glory be to Him who bought us, Made us kings with Him to reign! Glory, glory To the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory To the King of glory sing!

Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings: Honor, riches, pow'r, dominion! Thus its praise creation brings. Glory, glory, Glory to the King of kings!

Preacher Pastor Michael Tanney

Liturgist Sam Shick Lector Pastor Tanney

Elders Al Bohannon & Earl Welch

Organist Suzanne Manelli

Ushers William Gebhart and Roger Schmidt

Children's Message Pastor Michael Tanney Acolytes Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy Greeter Roger Schmidt

Worship Screen Tra-Mi and Thao-Vy

Bible Class Zach Barz

Confirmation Pastor Michael Tanney

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Announcements

Saved to Share Called to Care

Our Response to God's Love Last Week Attendance Sunday: 41

Nepalese: 26 Offering: \$2,664.00

HYMN FESTIVAL Hope Ev. Lutheran Church will host a Hymn Festival for the Holy Trinity on Sunday, June 12th @ 4pm to complete the second season of the Music in a Sacred Space series. Guest composer and organist Kevin Hildebrand will lead the assembled congregation, along with the choirs and instrumentalists of Hope Ev. Lutheran. Mr. Hildebrand serves as Kantor at Concordia Theological Seminary in Ft. Wayne, IN where he directs the Seminary Kantorei and Schola Cantorum, plays the organ for daily chapel, and instructs students in liturgics and church music courses. Hope Lutheran is located at 5218 Neosho St. in St. Louis, MO. Visit hopelutheranstl.org for more information.

CHURCH PICNIC We will be having our church picnic in Tower Grove Park on Sunday June 19th @ 10am in the Humboldt North Pavilion. Please bring a side dish to share. There are sign up sheets in the front and back of church. Please sign up so we know how much food to buy.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL will meet today, June 12th @ 11:30am after Bible Class.

FREE WILL OFFERING Today we will be taking up a free will offering for Zach Barz mission in Costa Rica.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY for young adults between the ages of 18-30. The Bible Study will run from 5:30pm-7:30pm, and will include a pizza dinner (provided by St. Johns). Our next date is July 9th. If interested, please send an email to stjohnslcstl@gmail.com to be added to the GroupMe.

VACATIONS Jonah will be on vacation from June 19th-July 2nd & Pastor Tanney will be on vacation from June 19th-June 27th. The office will be closed June 19th-June 27th, if you have an emergency, please contact Earl Welch @ 314-629-9507. You can also send an email to stjohnslcstl@gmail.com as Jonah will continue to check the inbox while he is away.

Prayers

Special Prayer Petitions –For those who have not come back since the pandemic; Pastor Denke for recovery from stroke & cancer; Maureen Rehmer for healing from a lack of breath & strength; Dennis Solomon as he recovers from congested heart failure; Carmen Hobson that she would pass the tests needed for shoulder surgery; Bobbie for strength as she deals with Parkinson's; Field-workers and Vicars as they prepare to move; Nepali & African Congregation blessings on their worship Shut Ins – Bobbie Kepford, Dennis Solomon, Jerry Schmaltz, Steve Bain, Maureen Rehmer, Eileen Wehrheim, Don Osiek

Opportunities to Love and Serve Christ this Week June 12-June 19

Sunday 9:00am Worship w/ Communion

10:30am Bible Study (Zach Barz)

10:30am Nepali Worship/Confirmation 11:30am Executive Council Meeting

12:30pm African Worship

Monday 8am-2pm Office Open

Tuesday 8am-2pm Office Open

7pm Seminary Students

Wednesday 8am-2pm Office Open

10:30am Chapel @ Arbor Hills Nursing

Thursday 8am-2pm Office Open

2pm Ridgewood Apartments Bible Study

Friday 8am-1pm Office Open

8am Bible Study

Saturday 8:30am Food Pantry

1pm Vicar Meeting

Next Sunday 10:00am Worship in Tower Grove Park

10:30am Barbeque lunch 12:30pm African Worship